

**Exhibit A**

**Clean Version of The Pending Claims in U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/691,344**

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1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3.

2.(Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that:

- (a) encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:4; and
- (b) hybridizes under highly stringent conditions to the complement of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3.

3. An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 1 wherein said nucleotide sequence is present in cDNA.

*C3*  
6.(New) An expression vector comprising a nucleic acid sequence of Claim 2.

7.(New) A cell comprising the expression vector of Claim 6.